

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Michael Richard BARRETT et al. ) : Examiner: H. Mahmoudi  
Application No.: 10/716,251 ) : Group Art Unit: 2165  
Filed: November 17, 2003 ) : Confirmation No.: 6490  
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR )  
IMPLEMENTING AND MANAGING )  
AN ENTERPRISE IDENTIFY )  
MANAGEMENT FOR DISTRIBUTED )  
SECURITY IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM ) July 16, 2007 (Monday)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, and in response to the Office Action dated  
March 14, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows: